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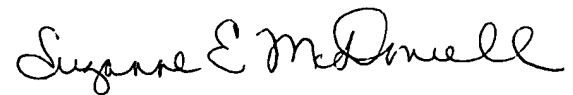
In the election received November 7, 2000, applicants have elected claims 1-8, 12-29, and 32-58 as reading on the elected species. The instant application does not contain claims 53-55, and only contains a partial claim 52. The page numbering is 235, Amended sheets 26 and 27, and 238.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given TIME PERIOD of **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply a proper amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Suzanne E. McDowell whose telephone number is (703) 305-4018. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday- Friday from 6:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

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